

That Which Is Claimed Is:

1. A distribution device of a telecommunications
5 system, with at least one contact element, the
contact element having at least two contact
springs, wherein
 - a) the contact element has a modular structure in
such a way that the configuration of the
10 contact element can be modified by modifying the
modular structure,
 - b) the contact element has a basic module, the
basic module having the contact springs,
 - c) it being possible to connect one or more
15 supplementary modules to the basic module, the
combination of the basic module with the
supplementary module allowing the configuration
of the respective contact element to be
modified.
- 20 2. The distribution device as claimed in claim 1,
wherein the supplementary modules and the basic
module can be combined with one another in series
connection.
- 25 3. The distribution device as claimed in claim 1,
wherein the configuration of the respective contact
element is determined by selection of the
supplementary module the number of supplementary
30 modules or the sequence of the supplementary
modules.
4. The distribution device as claimed in claim 1,
wherein the basic module has inputs and outputs
35 assigned to the contact springs.
5. The distribution device as claimed in claim 1,
wherein the supplementary modules have inputs and
outputs.

6. The distribution device as claimed in claim 4,
wherein, for a connection of one or more
supplementary modules to the basic module, the
5 inputs of one supplementary module engage in
outputs of the basic module or in outputs of
another supplementary module, these connections
between the inputs and the outputs being configured
using a connector technique.